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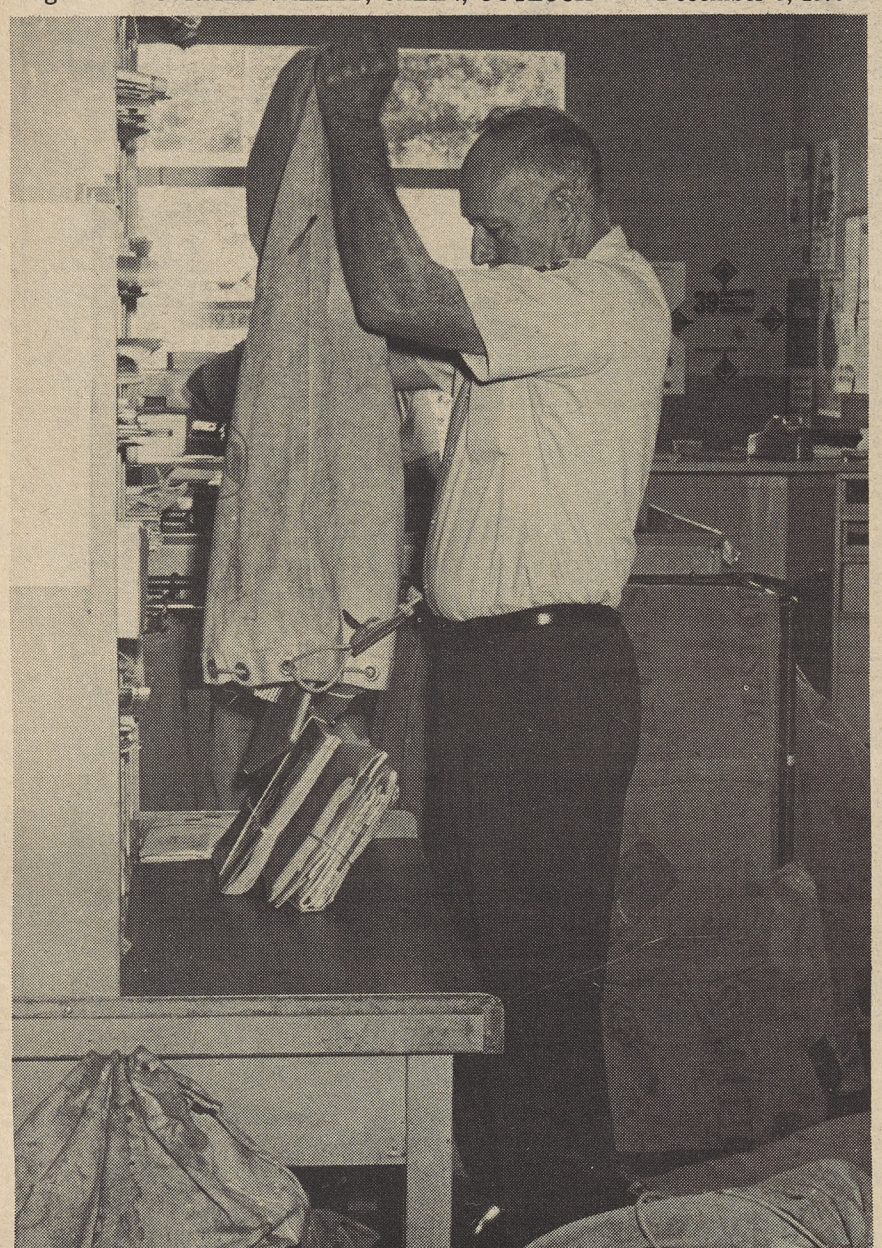
Photo by George T.C. Smith

SANTA HIMSELF couldn't be cheerier at Christmastime than Carmel Valley Postmaster Sam Brandt, who only has to look at the mounds of bulging mail sacks to know what time of year it is. While the packages pile up, all but obscuring the lush growth of ivy in the back of the post office, Sam goes right on smiling...and sorting, and stacking, and stuffing, and hauling, and loading, and unloading. Lending moral support to the whole procedure is Little Miss, perched atop mail sacks at the right which will soon be jammed with Christmas cards and parcels headed out of the Valley. For a story and more pictures on how the Carmel Valley Post Office works its way out from under this seasonal deluge, see pages 2 and 3.

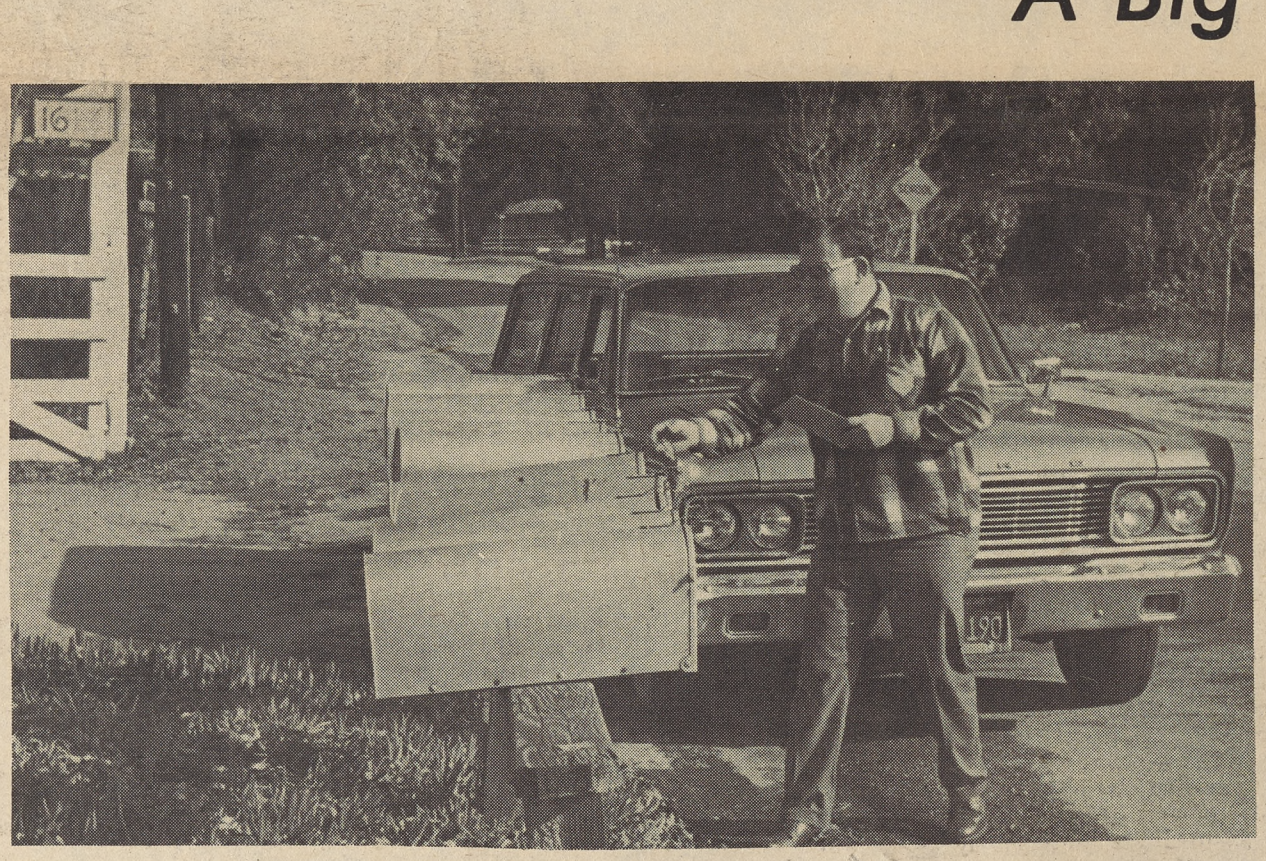


EARLY IN THE MORNING Dick Lafayette whips through stacks of incoming mail, getting every letter and magazine into the proper slot. Later he'll bundle it all and start out on his route, which includes Robles del Rio and the northern slopes just beyond the Village. The pair of hands to Dick's right belong to Frank Lucido, who is sorting his share of the mail.

Photos by George T.C. Smith

HERE IT COMES...the annual flood of Christmas mail destined for homes in Carmel Valley. Assistant postmaster George Corrigan empties a sack on the sorting table, a process that will be repeated dozens of times before the day is over. Behind George on the wall, on the far right of the picture, is a display of posters for community events, one of the special features of the Carmel Valley Post Office that makes it a pleasant, cheerful place to visit.

A Big Christmas comes ...and nothing ever



RURAL MAIL CARRIERS are adept at driving with one arm on the wrong side of the road, but sometimes even a long arm won't quite do the job. Frank Lucido, a familiar, friendly figure to Valley residents living between Scarlett Road and the Village, has to get out on Ford Road to fill a string of boxes.

IF YOU CALL THE POST OFFICE and a dog answers, don't hang up. That's simply "Little Miss," who is almost always on duty and probably knows more about postal operations than any canine in the nation. She belongs to Toni Brandt, Sam Brandt's daughter, and she clearly understands that with family relationships go rank and status.

TONI BRANDT works part-time at the post office, which has been her second home for about as long as she can remember. Her father propped her up on a stool and had her canceling mail when she was five years old, and she has been at it ever since.

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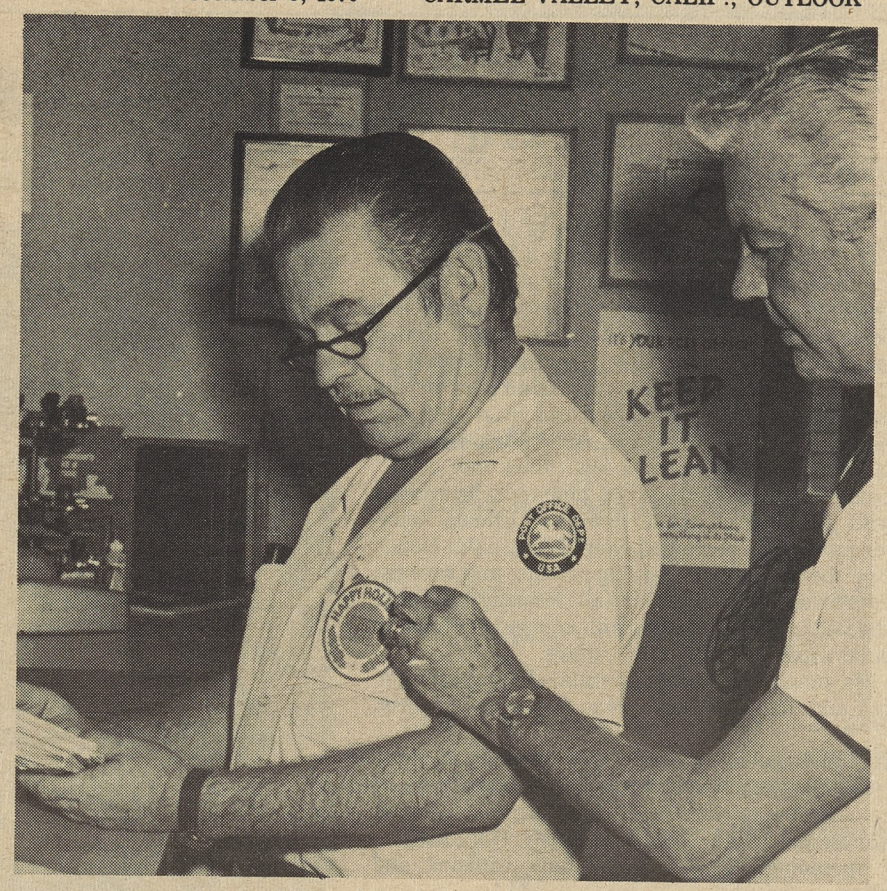


THOUGHTFUL UNCLE SAM printed up "Happy Holidays" badges for postal employees, so Postmaster Sam Brandt wants to be certain Ed Armstrong is properly adorned for the season. Ed spends most of his time up front, handing out general delivery mail and packages, weighing outgoing parcels and exchanging wry good humor with a steady stream of patrons. In his spare time, Ed is a better-than-average painter.

THE EARLIEST DELIVERIES are those to post office boxes. Clerk Robert Tod slips in an over-sized envelope that looks suspiciously like a promotional brochure from someplace.

to Carmel Valley Post Office

flusters genial Postmaster Sam Brandt

BY PAT GRIFFITH

It looks as if the Carmel Valley Post Office is going to stay put for awhile, firmly emeshed between a coffee house and a Russian tea room, cloaked in a confection of pink and white instead of serviceable U.S. Government brick and gray.

Postmaster Sam Brandt got the word last week -- via telephone -- from Washington. It will be four years "at least" before postal authorities will even consider recommending larger quarters for 93924, a projection which puts the whole subject well past the next presidential election into the realm of misty ambiguity.

Sam just smiles, shrugs his shoulders and says, "I'm really in no hurry to move anyway. It's really only this time of year that we're too crowded. And as long as people are patient, we get through it okay."

Last week, as people sloshed through blustery rain with the initial assault of Christmas parcels, Sam's domain had already taken on the appearance of a house in the midst of major closet-cleaning. Bundles were piled everywhere, all according to a definite, if not exactly apparant plan.

While route carriers Dick Lafayette and Frank Lucido sorted more than the normal amount of incoming mail, assistant postmaster George Corrigan and window clerks Bob Tod and Ed Armstrong collected some packages and handed out others, swapped friendly comments and sold the last of the original order of 60,000 Christmas stamps.

MAIL VOLUME UP

"I thought I was being a big spender when I ordered 60,000 Christmas stamps," Sam laughs. "Last year we sold 40,000, and I decided to really go all out this year. If this is an indication of the volume of mail this year, I think I'll put in for retirement now."

He's only joking, of course. This is Sam's 22nd Christmas season as Carmel Valley postmaster, and he looks forward to it with genuine enthusiasm and pleasure.

"Everyone is always so friendly and pleasant. It's really the best time of year," he insists, his eyes crinkling into a merry twinkle that gives him the appearance of a slimmed-down Santa in mufti.

And far from brooding about the number of Christmas stamps sold, he has ordered an additional 30,000, which should surely be enough for this year.

It takes someone with Santa's generous spirit to keep smiling through the Christmas deluge of mail. Last year, for example, a few days before Christmas the Carmel Valley Post Office handled 21 canvas sacks of first class mail (Christmas cards and bills) and 116 sacks of parcel post in one day.

If you try to visualize 137 of those huge mail sacks stacked inside the post office, you can't -- because there isn't enough room. So the mail is kept moving, coming in and going out three times a day, which leaves just barely enough room for Sam's crew to maneuver around the bulging bags to find your Christmas present from Aunt Tillie in Oshkosh.

MORE DELIVERIES

From now until Christmas, mail will be coming in and going out at 7:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. The route carriers will also be starting to make two deliveries a day -- a herculean task which keeps them sorting and driving for 10 to 12 hours a day.

Across the nation, the post office department has found it can generally give better service by having regular employees work longer hours during Christmas, rather than hiring inexperienced temporary help. This is the policy Sam has followed all the way along, which means that the route carriers, including Bud Lucido on the Star Route (Cachagua and Jamesburg) and subs Tom Augustitus and John Haller don't see much of their families before Christmas.

Between them, they serve 1,391 families (including boxholders) from Scarlett Road to Cachagua -- a figure the post office multiplies by 3½ to come up with an estimate of 4,869 postal patrons in the area.

Just what this means in terms of business for the post office is shown in the records Sam has kept since he started in 1949. That year the post office, which was located where Irene Baldwin's office is now, sold $5,487.01 in stamps.

In the fiscal year ended July 1970, the Carmel Valley Post Office totaled $73,642.81 in stamp sales -- a whopping increase even if the cost of first class mail has doubled in the intervening years.

TO FIRST CLASS

In fact, the Carmel Valley post office is doing such a volume of business that next July 1 its status will be raised from second to first class post office.

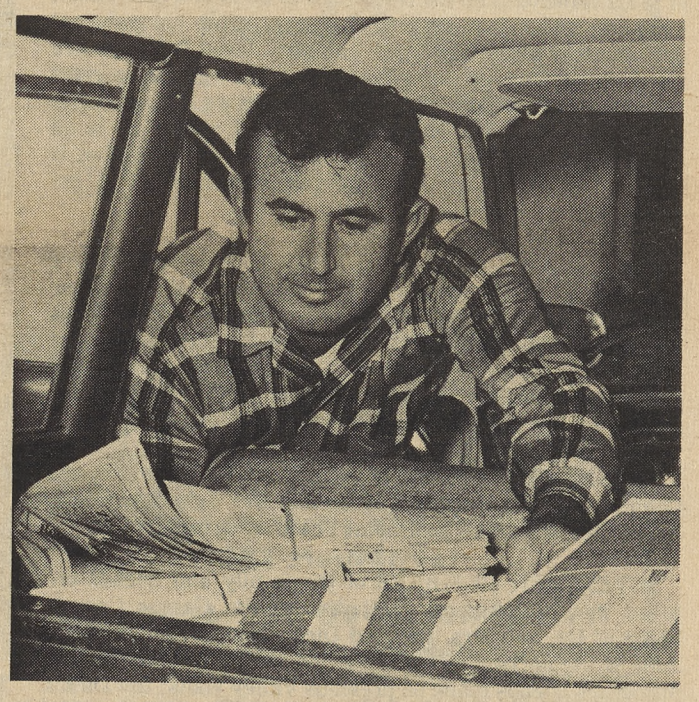
In practical terms, the promotion means little. No additional employees, for example. What it will mean, however, is that after July it will not accept parcels weighing more than 40 pounds or having a combined length and girth of more than 84 inches.

In its present second class status, it must take packages up to 70 pounds with combined measurements of up to 100 inches, and Sam says people come from all over the Monterey Peninsula to mail their extra-large bundles here.

Looking ahead, Sam foresees the time coming soon when all mail will be sorted in a regional mail center in Salinas, and arrive in the Valley ready to be put in sequence into boxes or delivered to households.

But even with this further improvement in service, he doesn't think the Valley will ever be included under one post office from Cachagua to Highway 1.

"It will never be one unit," he says firmly. "It's just too long and narrow. You have to break an area up every few miles, because carriers can only cover a certain distance on their routes. The rest of the Valley will stay part of Carmel for a long time to come."



FITTING EVERYTHING INTO A CAR can be an awesome task at Christmastime, as Robert (Bud) Lucido is discovering. Bud covers the Star route for Cachagua and Jamesburg. Because of the distances involved, he takes along packages if he can squeeze them in.

7,959,000,000 reasons to mail on time

This holiday season, the U.S. Postal Service will handle over 7.9 billion pieces of mail. Make certain your holiday gifts and cards arrive on time.

Try to remember:

Mail parcels to distant areas by	12/1
Mail greeting cards to distant areas by	12/10
Mail local parcels by	12/11
Mail local greeting cards by	12/15

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE U.S. MAIL

UNDER THE OAKS & AMONG THE CACTI

By Mildred Hattan

WINTER IN CARMEL VALLEY was only a few hours old when the Ladies Auxiliary of the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department decided to transform the new Fire House into a temporary corner of an island paradise and issued invitations to all members and their firemen-husbands to come to a Luau. Mrs. Stanley Roberts, chairman of the tropical treat, planned an oriental oriented feast with the piece de resistance, a barbecued pig. Mrs. Richard Hindman, decorations chairman, formed low tables into a "U" shape and centered them with carved pineapple fruitboats connected with garlands of exotic flowers. Fishnets, fountains and even palm trees recreated from REAL palm fronds carried out the theme. Ladies wearing mumus and sarongs and men dressed as beachcombers (all wearing beautiful leis) sat on the floor true island style and enjoyed the feast to the background music of Hawaiian guitars.

Auxiliary life members Buelah Corona, Jean Danielson and Ruth Hall and their husbands were invited as honored guests.

Recipes from the successful affair are to be included in the Party Cook Book which the Auxiliary is compiling.

Committee members assisting were Mmes. William Brodrick, Don Weber, John Woods, Art Harber, Bill Parham, Christopher Spaulding, Robert Oross, Larry Busick and Erasimo Belleci.

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THOSE CARMEL VALLEY Kiwanians MUST have the most impressive records of perfect attendance of any club around. Latest deserving of recognition include Otto Huebner, one year; Chuck Strathmeyer, four years; Dean Campbell and George Clifford, six years; and Joe Ricupero, 12 years! Recent guest speakers at Kiwanis luncheons have been Lt. Larry Pearsons of the Naval Post Graduate School who discussed Russian policies and Larry Horan, a Valley-ite whose own experiences directing the Youth Corps in South America made for a meaningful and informative program.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Schwartz of 18 La Rancheria on the November 23 birth of a son, Ethan Raphael. The infant arrived two days after his paternal grandmother's birthday ... Mr. and Mrs. Julius Schwartz are residents of Chicago and plan to visit their grandson right after the holidays. Mrs. Schwartz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hiller, live in Knoxville, Tenn., where he is an instructor at the University of Tennessee. Mrs. Hiller is expected to arrive in the Valley on December 14 to get acquainted with Master Schwartz.

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MR. AND MRS. DEAN NICHOLS of Tierra Grande Drive attended a family reunion on Thanksgiving in Aptos. Members of Mrs. Nichols' family who gathered at Deer Park Inn for dinner were her mother, Mrs. Wynn Vanoni, her brother and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Vanoni and son, Dale of Seaside; her aunt, Mrs. Hazel Tarr of Capitola; and her cousin, Mrs. Winifred Woodvison of Los Angeles.

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THANKSGIVING DINNER at the Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club was the choice of Mr. and Mrs. John Rosendale, Valley-ites who make their home at Valley Green Circle.

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SEVENTEEN MEMBERS of the family and friends enjoyed the Thanksgiving festivities at the Garzas Canyon home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dick. Olene's mother, Mrs. John B. Reinertson of Riverside, Ill., was welcomed by the numerous friends made on previous Valley visits; the Dick's daughter, Nancy, her husband, Peter Herb, and son, Bill drove down from Lafayette, (Bill's brother Jim is in the Islands and will rejoin the family circle at Christmas). Other guests included Dr. and Mrs. Robert Ewer of Burlingame; Robert Ewer of Berkeley, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Herb and four children.

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MRS. VIRGINIA CARD of Santa Monica was a weekend guest at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Spaulding and son, Timothy. Spending the holiday at the Spaulding's Via Milpitas home was Chris's cousin, Miss Jamie Pliska.

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FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN FRIENDS for many years enjoyed the holiday together when Vivi and Ralph Erion of Sage Road drove into Carmel to be the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright and daughter, Lisa. They were joined by Vivi's nephew, Charles Morse who is a student at Stanford; Mrs. Wright's mother, Mrs. Ida Duncan, a former Valley-ite who resides at the Park Lane, and R. Rodriguez, a long time friend from San Francisco.

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HIS SKIFF beached by gentle tradewinds, Raz Belleci finds an island filled with lovely natives at the Hawaiian Luau given by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department. Providing a welcome of Alohas and leis are (left to right) Barbara Belleci, Sandy Cisneros, Dicci Harber and Judy Parham.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD HINDMAN and children, Rick and Laurie, shared their day of Thanksgiving with Joan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Huddleson of Piedmont, her sister, Meg, home from classes at Santa Barbara; Hillary, vacationing from college in San Diego; her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Huddleson and son Mathew, and Mary Huddleson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Marks who are guests at the Larry Huddleson home on Paso Cresta through the holidays.

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COPIES OF "GAME AND GOSSIP" are rapidly disappearing from the stands since word of an article describing the lovely gift line of plastics created by a Paso Cresta resident, Jean Ocker. Mrs. Diane Kurlfink of Paso Hondo wrote the article.

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CARMEL VALLEY CUB SCOUTS held their first Pack Meeting last week in the Multipurpose Room at Tularcitos led by Cub Master Andreas Wolf. Harold Waymire's Webelos led the opening and closing ceremonies for Pack 127. Although the Webelos have only met once, they had completed requirements which qualified them for the acceptance of Bob Cat and Aquanaut Badges. The boys are Steve Allard, Chris Kelly, Sean George, Scott Waymire and Roy Lowe.

There are presently two Dens of Cub Scouts. Mrs. Don Cummings is Den Mother of Den 1 assisted by Mrs. Nancy Hogans. Boys in their Den include Micka Willingham, Mickey Cummings, Jeff Hogans, Steven Wolf, Chris Paik and Johnny Shaw.

Mrs. Nancy Bletzer will lead Den 2 assisted by Mrs. Harold Waymire. Den 2 members are Peter Kelly, Scott Gibson, Donald Holland, Chris Frohme, Jeff Harber, Chris Pinkham, and Eddie and Brett Briggs.

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THANKSGIVING found the Kirk Gaymans of Boronda Road with children Pam and Ron in Redding where they visited the David Gaymans and the Merril Gaymans and their families.

Down on Paso Hondo the Richard Gaymans and sons, Brett, Scott and Tod, packed their dinner and drove to Sunnyvale where they spent the vacation in Mary-El's sister's home while their house key was left under the welcome mat for the sister, Mrs. Barbara Albee and her children, Ricky, Dane, Christina and Brian, who made her headquarters at the Gayman home while visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horne of Chapparal Road. During the house exchange, Mary El and Dick met two former Valley-ites, Robert Albee, who is attending the Rudolph Schaeffer School of Design in San Francisco, and William Albee who recently returned from Alaska. Bill has been in the far north at Prudho Bay where as a member of the Bechtele Corporation, he has been working on "Rollagons", a vehicle which can be used to cross tundra.

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AS TRADITIONAL as "The stockings all hung by the chimney with care" is the Scotch Pine Christmas tree trimmed annually at the Community Center as the Valley residents prepare for the Christmas holiday. Purchased several years ago with the wreaths which adorn the front doors of the Center by the Carmel Valley Lionettes, the tree goes up immediately after Thanksgiving to be utilized and enjoyed by the many clubs and individuals utilizing the Center for their Christmas festivities. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Garneau were chairmen in charge of the tree trimming party last weekend and served cake, cookies and coffee to the many willing workers who arrived to complete the task. Lionettes and their assistants included Cmdr. (ret.) and Mrs. Bill Stowers, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bordonaro and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Wright and Sue, Judy and Junior, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Black, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kitt and Pat, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gansel, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Todd, and an infant viewing his first tree, the Garneau's son, Greg.

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INVITATIONS SHAPED like treasure chests containing a real treasure map were received by playmates invited to join Brock Buche's Pirate Crew in celebration of his ninth birthday. Wearing pirate hats marked with the Jolly Roger, the shipmates were divided into two bands led by Mickey Cummings and Tom Vannatta. With maps and mysterious clues the boys hiked over a half mile of treasure laden trails to eventually uncover a chest of booty before returning to the Los Agrinemsors home of Dr. and Mrs. Dale Buche for luncheon and birthday refreshments. Assisting Mrs. Buche was a neighbor, Mrs. Leslie Vanatta. Enjoying the afternoon were Patrick Brodrick, Jon Fogelmanis, Joe Victorine, Garth Frazer, Brent Englund, Garth Hattan, and Brock's brothers, Brent and Kurt.

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RACE FANS at Bay Meadows Post-Thanksgiving Stakes Race witnessed a thrilling finish between Traffic Beat and Jungle Savage. The beautiful Valley horse, Traffic Beat, led to the winner's circle is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell of the Double "H" Ranch.

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MORE OAKS & CACTI

SANTA FLY-IN

THE OUTLOOK had a call last week ALL the way from the North Pole. It was Santa's secretary confirming reservations for a chartered aircraft to fly the Jolly Old Elf into the Carmel Valley Airport on Saturday Dec. 19 at 10:30 a.m. Santa asked that she tell everyone how much he was looking forward to a visit to Sunny Carmel Valley and the WARM welcome the children who live here always give him.

Parade and Christmas Fair co-chairmen, Mrs. Jon Englund and Mrs. James Ijams, have indeed made plans to make the day, the first one of the school vacation, a festive one.

Organizations have been phoning their reservations to Mrs. Ijams for assigned spots in the parade and booths to be set up outside of the Center. Volunteering to set up baked foods, crafts etc., booths to make money during the Christmas Fair to follow Santa's Parade at the Community Center are the C.V. Community Chapel Youth Fellowship Group, the Lionettes, the C.V. Little League, the Brownies, Indian Y Guides and the Tularcitos Parents Club.

Plans are progressing for the program at the Center where the children will have an opportunity to talk to Santa who will have a candy cane for each child. A photographer will be on hand to take color keepsake photos for a small fee; Phil Monroe, a real live Hurdy-Gurdy will entertain; and the Youth Fellowship Group from the Chapel will present the puppet show "Purple-Necked Black Bearded Blatch."

Families are invited to purchase their lunch at the Center's Santa-Snack Bar. There will be hot dogs, chili dogs, Christmas punch, Ambrosia salad, coffee and Cokes.

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The Rhyming Philosopher

UNLONELINESS

Are you not lonely when he goes away?
They ask her; but she smilingly replies
I feel his presence always, night and day,
As everything around me testifies.

The growing things, the warm surrounding trees,
The bordered path he built to guide my feet,
The shingled roof, his working shoes, all these
And hundreds more to make my life complete.

His love and deep concern shines in the sun,
And, oh, the glow which permeates my soul,
While even rain provides comparison
With his sweet changing moods and self-control.

I lounge back in his chair and feel his arms
Encompass me, and see upon the wall
His handiwork to evidence his charms
And thrill my memories with full recall.

Returning from his sojourn, long or short,
The neighbor birds sing paeans to make known
Our lover man is home! So I retort
How can I ever, ever be alone?

No. 352 Harry W. Fletcher

FIRE DEPT. TO DELIVER SANTA (& GIFTS) XMAS EVE

"ON DASHER...ON DANCER...On Volunteer Firemen...ON VOLUNTEER FIREMEN? That's right, the big shiny red engines of the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department (chock full of presents and Ho Ho Ho's) will once again give St. Nicholas an assist on Christmas Eve, by delivering gifts. Santa, riding a fire truck, will call personally at the homes of girls and boys who have been especially good all year.

The delightful idea originated several years ago when Fireman Bill Parham and his family were visiting Bill's parents in Coronado. Answering a knock at the door, Bill's excited daughter, Kelly, found the old bewhiskered gentleman himself with a gift for her. The Parhams brought the idea back to the Valley where it is now an established tradition.

Any home in the boundaries of the Carmel Valley Protective Fire District is eligible for delivery for which there is no charge. The firemen take the time from their own families on this very special holiday eve to bring an unforgettable experience to the children.

Anyone wishing a gift delivered should wrap it securely with a 3x5 card taped to the package containing the recipients name, address and phone number. Please address the card with something that will not run should the package get wet. Packages may be delivered to the C.V. Fire Station any day between 8:30 and 5:00 -- until noon on December 24. Santa will arrive between 5:30 and 8:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On Dasher...On Dancer...On Volunteer Firemen!

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G.R.A.M.P.A. CLUB MYSTERY TOUR

Are you one of those people who view Christmases past with nostalgia and are forever telling the young people around you about "the good old days." If so, a holiday treat is in store for you when the Valley Model "A" Club joins forces with the Quails, a Salinas group for a "MYSTERY TOUR." Crank up your good restored antique autos and be at the Star Market in Salinas at 6:30 p.m. on the twentieth of December or in the Lucky Store's parking lot at the Monterey Macy's when the Quails come chugging in at 7:00 p.m. Can't tell you any more except it is for the entire family and promises to be FUN!

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CARMEL VALLEY LITTLE LEAGUE

New Carmel Valley Little League president, Jim Clark, invites all parents and friends of the League to meet on Thursday in the Tularcitos Library at 7:30. The board is formulating plans for the 1971 season and will welcome any suggestions from old or new members.

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A TRAVEL FILM on the Holy Land, "In the Land of the First Christmas," will be shown by the Rev. and Mrs. Rex Lindquist at 6 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church on Schulte and Carmel Valley Roads.

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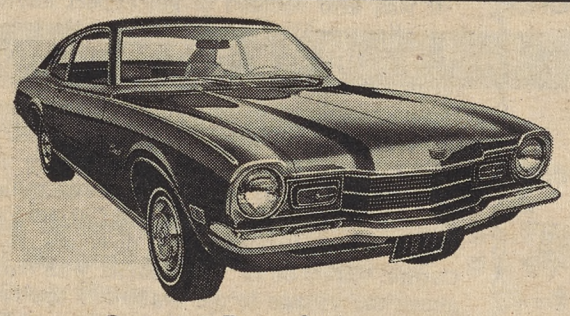

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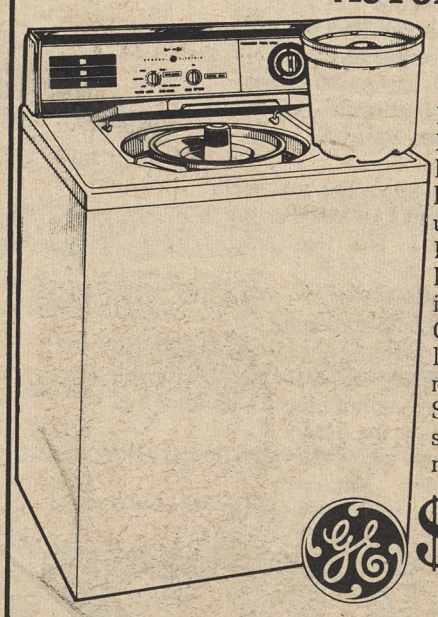

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TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:
I thought this poem might be appropriate at this time! It was inspired by an owl up in my tree.

Sincerely,
VERA STOKES
Carmel Valley

The Dark of Nite!

What is that sound I hear at Nite,
It sounds so creepy, fills me with fright.
I crawl into my Parent's bed,
There to shiver and lay my head.
Dad gives a growl and bellows out
"What is this nonsense all about!"
"A terrible noise outside I hear,
"It frightens me, fills me with fear."
Now Mother wakes and cuddles me,
Oh, what a comfort she can be!
"We'll find what this is all about,"
My Father rises with a shout.
"Come Boy! We'll go outside and see
What this noise can possibly be!"
I took his hand and gingerly,
We sneaked into the nite to see.
Suddenly that awful noise we hear,
It sounds so high, so loud and clear.
My Dad stood still and gave a sigh,
as he looked up into the sky.
"Up in that tree just out of sight,
You'll see a figure black as nite.
It flaps its wings and acts so gay,
It does not like the light of day,
And when it's hungry and full of fight,
It screams out loud with all its might.
So now you see it's silly to be
Afraid of sounds one cannot see.
There is his tree, on his nightly prowl,
Is nothing but a big Screech Owl!"

- Vera Stokes

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A walk through Carmel Valley
& Emeralds on a Tuesday Afternoon

acorns & acorns
bringing me back to Cambridge
  and the Charles
but no -- I'm in an emerald
where each turn in the road brings a new fantacy
reality is a confusing subject
but is it not just another line in one's mind
Carmel's hills -- follow the white line
  and amaze amist the maze
smell autumn in the mountains
mongrels yelp and ducks shuffle
  under the hoofs of the mare
where's the doe
probably hiding from the monsters in orange Sun
as the mother cat chases the brother & sister mole
  through golden alpha fields
my lips are parched
pass me the wine
  I yell to the red honey haired maiden
  in clouds as she skips by in slow motion
  along paths of sun rays
don't bark massive black done
frolic with your mate
for we are your friends
and nature is our companion
hear the sputter of the prop plane
  as it cuts into the valley air
  and slides into a cove of pines and maples
    in the distance
as the fair maiden rounds the bend
onward for valley squash and the village
of a dream in wood & stone
acorns and brown cherry peach trees
Vermont and the old red mill
now hear it on Robles Del Rio
but the river is dry
and the bridge calls out under my boots
  only to hear its own hard echo on dry rock
is it the industrialist or is it Lee Chong
may be Ron
who dried up the river bed
must be the work of the Hobbit again ...
what plane have they stolen it away to ... says mirth
Los Ositos Road is steep on the walk back up the hill
for a moment it's Mon Diablotins and Dominico -
the air is crisp outside the cabin
and the fire is warm
where are you maiden - Natasha
perhaps over there by the window
reading the path for tomorrow
the feast is finished
and the tea was tart
her torch is aglow
yearning to guide me
  through the morning elms & oaks
leaping with me from the sheding acorn
across to premises and the main road

Nov. 17, 1970
MICHAEL

Water Company sits tight...

Still no news about proposed new dam

BY PAT GRIFFITH

The California American Water Company definitely will not announce where it intends to construct a new dam on the upper Carmel River until sometime after Monday's hearing for a rate increase before the Public Utilities Commission.

"The decision is getting closer all the time, but I'm sure it won't be made before the PUC hearing," District Manager David Fiscus said Monday. The announcement had originally been expected no later than Oct. 31.

The PUC hearing, scheduled for 1 p.m. in the Monterey library at 625 Pacific Ave., will consider the water company's request for an across-the-board rate increase for Monterey County. The proposed rate increase is not directly linked to the future dam, since that would be financed by still further rate increases in the future.

The water company says it needs a rate increase now, however, to keep pace with increased operating costs. It has not had a rate increase in 13 years.

As for the company's application to drill a new well behind the Begonia Gardens, Fiscus said he doubted this would harm any trees in the area.

"The cause of the trees dying is not the lowering of the water table," he said. "Our studies show that the water table has been maintained at a high level for the past six or seven years, and still trees die."

Fiscus said the company had been told by experts at the time the Schulte Road well was drilled that the roots of trees along the river may go down 60 to 70 feet, and that if the water table drops, the roots will go still further.

Although he didn't have detailed records to quote from, Fiscus said he believes that the water table hasn't fluctuated on an average more than two or three feet a year.

Fiscus said he feels the application for the use permit presented to the Planning Commission last month was prepared so quickly that it raised unnecessary apprehension among some residents in the area.

"It is up to us to convince people that the project behind the Begonia Gardens will not be an eyesore," Fiscus said, "and that this will be a development that won't annoy them or harm them at all, and that the Valley greenbelt will stay pretty much as it is now."

The application reads "well or wells," Fiscus said, although the water company just wants one producing well at that location.

"It said 'wells' simply because there is always the possibility that you drill at a bad spot, and in that case we wanted to be sure we could move over 10 or 15 feet and drill another well."

He said the company is hoping to have one well that will produce about 1500 gallons of water a minute, about the same amount as produced by the well on Schulte Road.

Fiscus said he is trying to follow up on the Planning Commission's recommendation that the water company look for alternative sites for the well and filter plant, although he doubts that they will find a suitable substitute.

"We're going to see what we can do, but as far as I know we have exhausted every other possibility," he explained.

Fiscus said the site behind the Begonia Gardens is "ideal" for a well and filter plant for three reasons:

"First, the geological conformations of the Valley make this the very best place to do it, because the Valley widens out there, and there is more underground storage room.

"Secondly, we have looked high and low up and down the Valley for property to buy and it is very hard to find. We succeeded in getting this ideal location.

"And, third, this spot is midway between two other wells, so we can converge production to our iron removal plant. This is so much better than having individual filter plants for each well, because these plants are awfully expensive."

He added that the iron-removal filter plant for the Schulte Road well is expected to go into operation this week, after encountering many unexpected delays.

"This site is so ideal for what we want, we're going to make a supreme effort to get it," Fiscus added.

When the new well goes into operation, Fiscus said, the water company will be pumping about 6,000 acre feet of water from wells in Carmel Valley. He said there are no plans for additional wells at this time.

At the moment, Fiscus said, water is in plentiful supply. Los Padres Dam is full to its spillway and San Clemente is within 12 feet of its maximum capacity, with about 12 inches of water flowing over its spillway at the present time. The unusually early and heavy rainfall accounts for the abundant water supply.

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CVPOA seeks help to save trees by river

Directors of the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association expressed concern last week that more well-drilling in the lower Carmel Valley will threaten the existing trees and vegetation.

CVPOA president Ed Lee said that if the California-American Water Company is permitted to put in a well behind the Begonia Gardens, he would predict that within six years at least 80 percent of the large trees between the Farmel Center and Schulte Road will die.

As the trees die, Lee said, they become useless for river bank protection, and he added a further prediction that within five years of the new well's completion, the river will break out of its present boundaries, causing local residents to appeal to the Army Corps of Engineers to construct a dike.

"It's all so senseless," Lee said.

Lee based his concern on pictures and maps he has of the area near the Farm Center, which show a gradual depletion in the number of trees. Lee said that constant pumping by the water company has lowered the water table and killed off hundreds of alders, cottonwoods and willows.

"Now the tops of trees are gray all along the river in that area to the west," Lee said. "You can see this clearly before all the leaves are gone."

Directors agreed to seek the support of the Ventana chapter of the Sierra Club, the Monterey Peninsula Audubon Society and the Monterey Bay chapter of the California Native Plant Society before the matter comes up a second time at the Planning Commission on Jan. 27.

It was also decided to get expert advice on how much irrigating would be required to keep the trees alive if another well were put in. The Lower Valley Advisory Board has recommended that the use permit be granted if the water company will agree to irrigate vegetation along the river banks in the area affected.

On other matters, the CVPOA board:

1. Reaffirmed its opposition to any redistricting plan for Monterey County that would split Carmel Valley between two supervisorial districts. The directors recommended that Carmel Valley be in "one district with one supervisor from above the Village to the sea."

2. Voted to recommend that the County Road Department grant an encroachment permit to William Garland II to construct a four or five strand barbed wire fence along the rebuilt river bank section between Laureles Grade and Miramonte Road. The board stipulated that there should be access to the river for fishermen.

It is understood that Garland, a Southern California realtor who purchased most of the former S.F.B. Morse ranch, intends to landscape the broad swath of barren riverbank if the fence is allowed.

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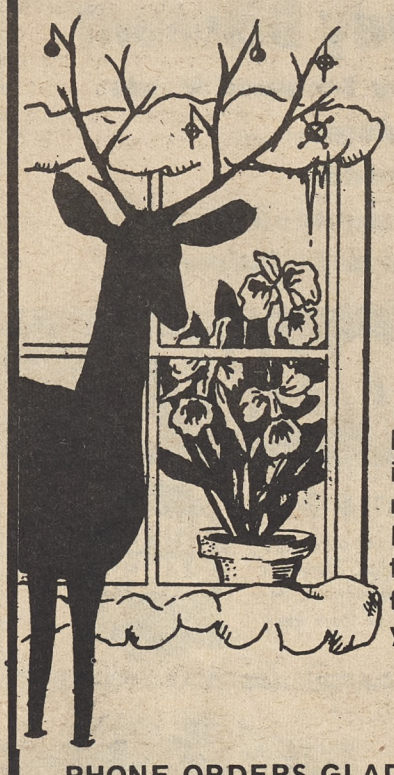

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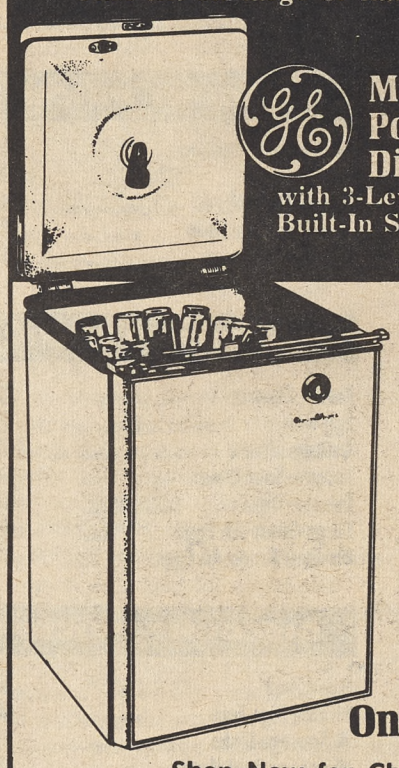

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Petpourri

BY JUDITH EISNER

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The "paper-hoax" has long been one of our pet peeves in the pet world; it is just one of the many ways unscrupulous people can swindle the buying public.

"Papers" refer to a dog's or cat's pedigree and registration certificate. A pedigree is nothing more than a family tree; it lists the animal's parents and ancestors for four or five generations back. To the average person buying a pet dog or cat, papers are "Greek." They are nothing but an impressive list of semi-pronounceable names.

To the serious breeder or fancier, papers tell long and detailed stories about their animal's genetic inheritance, for these people usually know the majority of dogs or cats appearing in the pedigree and understand the often incomprehensible letters and abbreviations that precede and follow the names.

Whether you are buying a $1,000 show animal or a $100 pet, there should be no extra charge for pedigree and registration, if they are available. We qualify that because sometimes papers aren't available. Either mother or father were never registered, or the animal was imported and the American Kennel Club wouldn't accept his registration, or the animal was sold many times and things got lost...In instances where you are buying an animal represented as purebred who has no papers, there are only two things to be sure of: first, that the animal is what he is represented to be—a purebred specimen of a given breed, and second, that you are not going to want to show or breed this animal sometime in the future where you will want to have his papers.

Anytime you run into a situation where you are quoted one price for the animal and another price for the animal plus papers, you ought to inform the seller that you are aware that there should be no extra charge for papers; don't accept the usual excuse that it's time-consuming to type up a pedigree; it is, but if he's skimping on a little typing, what else is he skimping on?

There are more ways to defraud the pet-buyer than you can shake a stick at—from dyeing to lying. Animals can be changed cosmetically, can be doctored through the use of drugs (remember the Kentucky Derby scandal?) to act differently from their normal temperament, can have papers switched can be represented as having a famous sire who has been dead for years, can be misrepresented as to age and any number of other qualities. The best assurance for the potential buyer is to be informed and to go to reputable sources.

How do you know the person you're dealing with is honest? The same way you'd judge anyone—car dealer, appliance salesman, doctor. You gather impressions about the person, his facilities, the condition of his animals and you add them up. If you have a confident feeling, if you like and trust this person and are favorably impressed by what he has to offer, you go ahead.

Or you buy from a reputable pet shop that has a good local reputation and sells healthy, friendly stock. You avoid buying a dog or cat from a roadside "puppy mill" which carries many different breeds in varying degrees of condition; you avoid mail order houses, and except in cases of eminently-reputed kennels, you avoid ordering any animal, sight unseen, from distances too far to drive in a day to make the selection yourself.

You go forth, armed with as much knowledge as you can stuff into your pre-Christmas brain. If you are looking for a Miniature Schnauzer puppy or a Lilac Point Siamese kitten, you know what they should look like and you know, in general, what a healthy puppy or kitten looks like.

To be forewarned is to be forearmed. From time to time we drop mention of the various misrepresentations that occur in various breeds, not because we have something against the breed, but because we hope to warn the pet buyer against fraud.

National dog magazines, for instance, accept advertisements for "pure white" German Shepherds and give the impression that they are desireable. Nonsense! While acceptable for AKC registration, they are ineligible for entry at dog shows and considered genetically inferior. Poodles come in a multitude of colors: black, silver, brown, apricot, white. But only one color at a time. They are not supposed to be black and white. If you fall in love with a parti-colored Poodle, at least be aware that he is a cull, a reject from a technical standpoint, and should be priced as such.

Siamese cats, as we have said before, should not have crossed eyes, except as an occasional result of extreme excitement. But their eyes should "uncross" 99 percent of the time; and they should not have kinked tails. That is a fault good breeders worked to eliminate for many years.

Granted, the white Shepherd, the parti-Poodle, the kinky-tailed, cross-eyed cat are no less loving or lovable as pets. But you should know, beforehand, what you are getting. It's terribly deflating to one's ego to buy and love and raise a pet only to learn at some later date that he's a freak or a cull. You want a pet you'll be proud of; that's what you're paying for.

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High school band grows under Avila's leadership

After listening to Henry Avila for a while, one gains the impression that he's out to turn on the whole world to a musical instrument.

"I believe a student should have background in some form of the arts in order to develop into a well-rounded person," he says. "In my field, a student will greatly develop his appreciation of music by playing an instrument."

Avila is Carmel High School's 34-year-old music director. He's been here for four years. During this time the band's enrollment has increased from 35 to 68 and Avila's not even particularly pleased with the gain.

"The size of our band is only about average for a school of our size," he says.

According to Avila, extensive grass-roots development is necessary to produce a talented high school music group.

For instance, Carmel High doesn't have an orchestra for lack of string instrument players, a result of insufficient interest in strings at the elementary level in recent years.

Avila hopes that the district's new recorder program will help remedy this scarcity. The instrument is being introduced to all children in several elementary grades in the district.

"The program gives students the fundamentals of actual note-reading in a more practical way than learning from a singing book," he says. "We will encourage students who show some promise to take up a string, wind or band instrument."

Carmel's music students are also encouraged by making honor events available.

"For instance, we're bound to strengthen our string program by encouraging students to look forward to playing in the honor orchestra," says Avila.

Carmel has been represented in Tri-County, All-State and California Music Educators Association honor bands. Avila, incidentally, is president of the latter organization.

In addition, the Carmel High band will march again this year in the East-West Shrine Game parade Jan. 2 in the Oakland Colosseum.

Scholarships are also being made available to top Carmel music students. Six attended summer camps last year—including two at a Monterey Jazz Festival-sponsored jazz camp.

Money for scholarships and camps has been donated by parents and friends through the Band Boosters Club. The band also helps pay its way with an annual fund-raising variety show and concert.

According to Avila, the building program is starting to pay off. The high school fields marching, pep, concert and stage bands in addition to a Girls Ensemble singing group and an A Capella choir. For the annual spring musical there is a pit orchestra. The few high school strings have a chance to play at this event.

Throughout the district there are approximately 200 music students including 65 at Middle School.

Avila sends the high school band to Middle School occasionally for performances—enticement along with the entertainment. Middle Schoolers in turn perform at the elementary levels.

Teaching the program at the younger grades are John Farr, Sharon Jones, Bill Purdy and Gene Perrine.

"Our program's been widely accepted," says Avila. "In Carmel you don't have to justify the arts."

Avila is from Stockton where he graduated in 1960 with a master's degree in music from the University of the Pacific. Previous to Carmel, he taught at Lincoln High School in Stockton.

He and his wife Mary have two children, Anna Maria, age 4, and Katherine Marie, one and a half. They live in Mission Fields.

"I was brought up classically, being a clarinetist," he says. "But unlike some directors, who favor only the classics, I also like to play jazz."

He produced a current book of band music: "The Funky Turtle—Jazz-Rock."

"There are different philosophies about high school bands," he continues. "Down south they really emphasize parade marching. They might practice marching two hours in the morning and two hours in the evening. We practice one hour a day—which is not really enough. However, I'd rather spend time working on concert music."

Avila's philosophy apparently has produced a band which is easy to listen to. They are averaging 50 performances a year. More than a month before Christmas the band had already received four engagement requests.

BAND-TAIL SEASON OPENS DECEMBER 12

Band-tail pigeons become fair game in most of California Saturday (December 12), but field reports indicate hunters may have a hard time finding concentrations of birds.

The Department of Fish and Game reported only small, scattered flocks, in many of the traditionally good areas of the south-central coastal region the week before the opener.

DFG wildlife biologists in Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties reported seeing a few band-tails, especially in the Adelaida district of San Luis Obispo County. The opening is rated as poor to fair, but the situation could change if the birds in the northern part of the state are moved south by the recent storms.

Good acorn crops reported throughout most areas of the state, especially on the Coast Range and the west slope of the Sierra, have caused the pigeons to be widespread.

Eastern Ventura County, usually southern California's prime pigeon hunting area, also reported few birds.

The 30-day season opens Saturday in all of California except the 13 northernmost counties, which have an early season. The daily bag and possession limit is eight birds.

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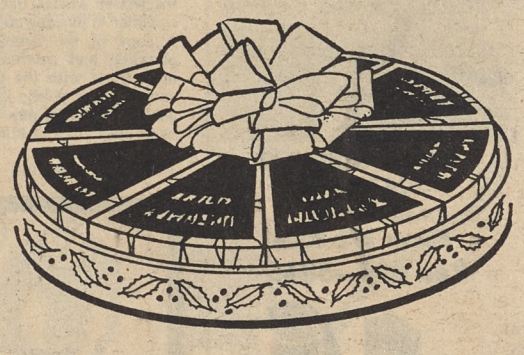

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Residence fire causes $1,500 loss

A fire which started on a stove caused an estimated $1500 damage to a home occupied by Phyllis Burns at 71 Southbank Road last Tueaday.

The Carmel Valley Fire Department had 21 men and three pieces of equipment battling the blaze, which travelled up through a ceiling fan in the kitchen to the attic.

The fire department said the fire apparently started from grease or food that had burned on the stove. The house is owned by Larry Thury.

At 9 p.m. Saturday, the fire department was called to the E.A. Kamerer home at 80 Poppy Road because of a broken gas line. The gas was shut off and the problem reported to P.G.&E.

The department also answered four calls for medical assistance during the week.

At 3 p.m. Saturday, Mrs. Carol Crockett of 18 Upper Circle was taken to a local doctor's office after she injured her ankle while visiting on Loma Lane.

A half hour later, the department's Red Cross ambulance was called to the top of Laureles Grade when James Franklin Jr. of 461 E. Laurel, Salinas, suffered severe facial lacerations when his motorbike flipped. He was taken to Community Hospital.

Monday morning at 5:10 a.m. Mary Ann Scott of Pedras Balncas was taken to Community Hospital after her car struck a pole on Ford Road.

At 7:50 a.m. yesterday morning, the first aid crew was again called to the top of Laureles Grade Road near the McDonald Ranch. Hazel Mitchell of 1466 Yosemite St., Seaside, was taken to Community Hospital with minor injuries after her car skidded off the rain-slick road.

Carmel High tunes up for Christmas concert

"CONCERT FOR CHIRSTMAS" will be presented by the Carmel High School Music Department Tuesday night, December 15th, at 8:00 P.M. in the Donald Craig Gymnasium.

The Choir and Chamber Singers will feature choral selections including a setting of carols by Alfred Burt, White Christmas, The Twelve Days After Christmas, Ding Dong, Merrily On High, and others. Greg Granoff will be the accompanist for the choir.

The Concert Band will conclude the program with a special arrangement of Do You Hear What I Hear? Christmas Music for Winds and the Farandole from the L'Arlesienne Suite.

Henry Avila, Chairman of the Music Department, is the director of the performing groups. Avila and the members of the Music Department extend an invitation to all to attend. Admission is free.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Monterey County Planning Commission, after following the procedure specified by law, has recommended to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey the adoption of an amendment to Ordinance No. 911, being the Zoning Ordinance of said County, which would reclassify certain property located in the Carmel Valley area extending from State Highway No. 1 to Tularcitos Rancho to adopt a combining "J" District which would prohibit trailers and mobile homes as living quarters.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Board of Supervisors has set Tuesday, the 5th day of January, 1971, at 10:30 a.m. and the Chambers of the Board in the Courthouse, Salinas, California, as the time and place all persons interested thereon may appear and be heard thereon.

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Christmas tea

The officers and chairmen of the Women's Association of the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula invite all the ladies of the church, their friends and others interested to attend their Christmas Program and Musical Tea.

This program will be held at the Community Church, Carmel Valley Road, one mile east of Highway 1, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 1:30 p.m. The children of Tularcitos School, under the leadership of John Farr, will present their usual Christmas musical treat and Miss Martha Pierce will speak on "Our Christmas Heritage".

Miss Pierce, a resident of Carmel Valley Manor, was for many years a member of the English Department at the University of the Pacific at Stockton. Since moving here she has become active in church and club circles throughout the Peninsula. Her knowledge of her subject and her charm of presentation make her programs real treats.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETS TONIGHT

The Carmel Board of Education will hold its regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Wednesday) in Brey Hall at Carmel High School.

Subjects on the agenda include the appointment of an assistant director of transportation, approval of a vocational work-study program, and a report on the Middle School social studies program.

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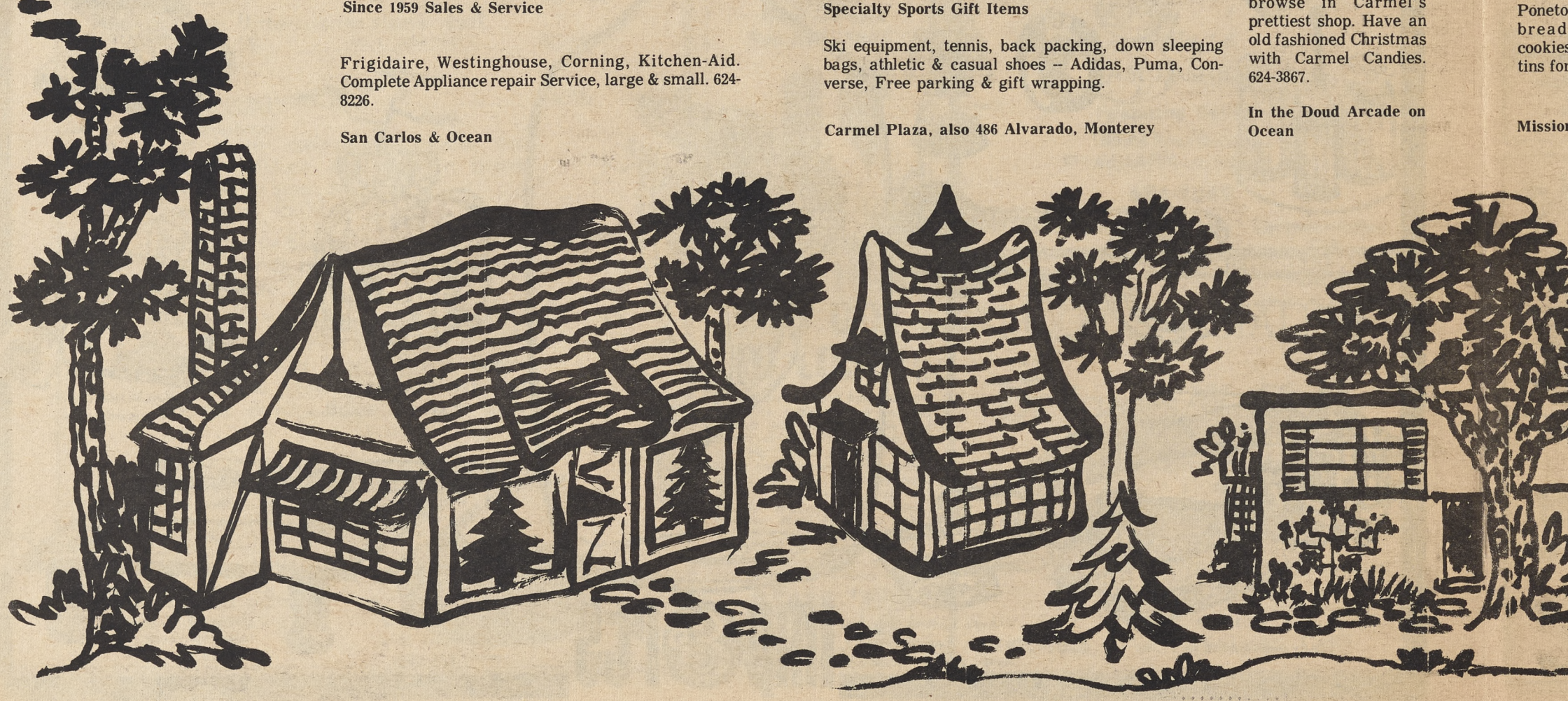

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New link between Lodi and Comsat is planned

The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. -- parent firm of Pacific Telephone -- has filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission for construction of a $5 million microwave route between Lodi and the COMSAT earth-satellite station at Jamesburg, in the Carmel Valley area.

Don Boston, Pacific Telephone manager in Monterey, said the AT&T route will be comprised of six radio relay stations, each including a tower and adjacent building.

He said stations would be constructed near Jamesburg Pass, Palo Escrito Peak, Thompson Valley, Farmington, Pacheco Pass and Patterson.

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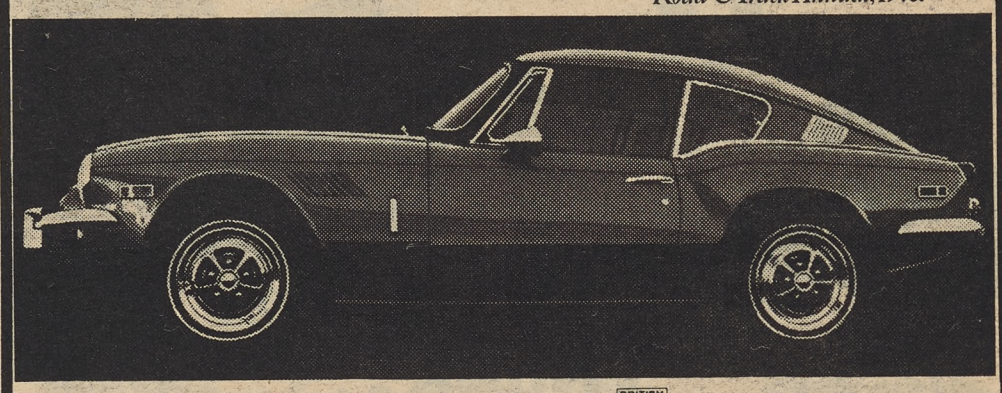

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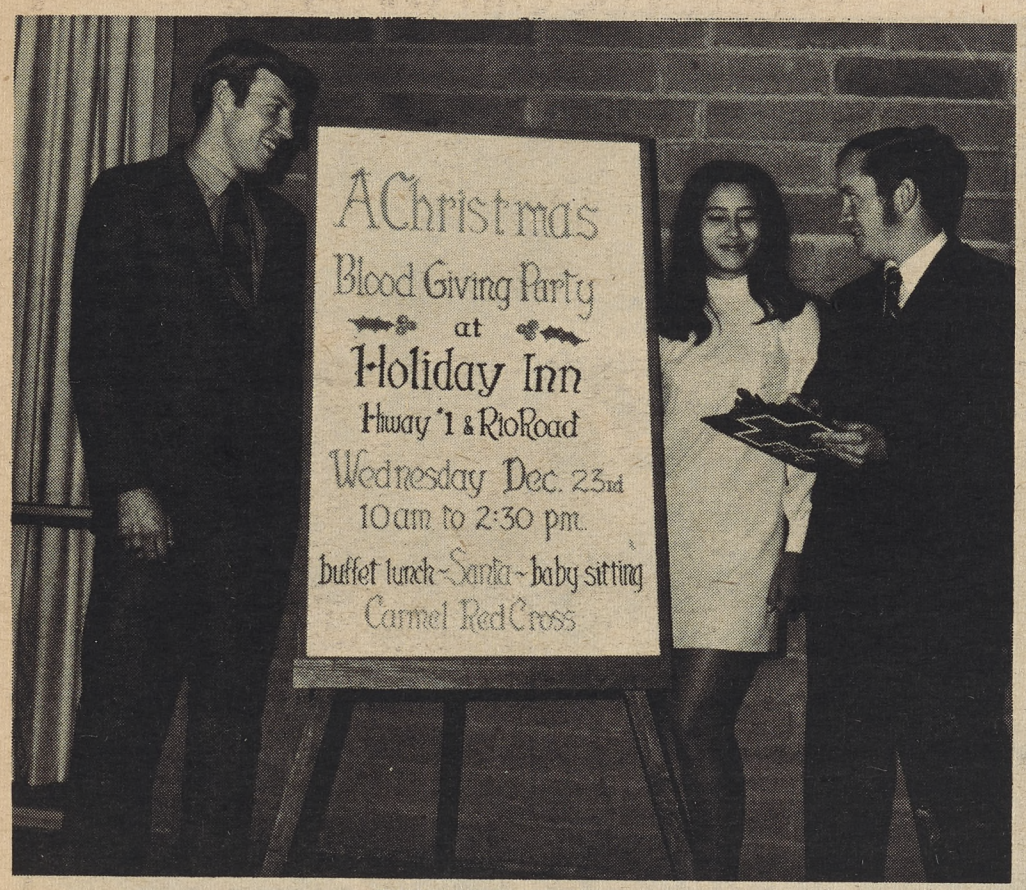

RICHARD S. CHATHAM signs up Carmel Holiday Inn staff members, James McManus and Andrea Azedo, for the Red Cross Bloodmobile which will be held at the Inn on Dec. 23. A recipient of 38 pints of blood to save his life following an accident in 1968 and heart surgery just a year ago, Chatham has a special interest in helping Red Cross. Photo by Jody Cooper.

Inn manager expresses special thanks to Red Cross

The Holiday Inn at Highway 1 and Rio Road will be the setting for the Red Cross Dec. 23 bloodmobile. The mobile unit will be in the banquet rooms from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. thanks to Richard S. Chatham, who invited the Carmel Chapter to use the Holiday Inn while he was manager there last summer.

He had been wanting to do something to help the Red Cross Blood program ever since the night of Dec. 12, 1968, when he was in an automobile accident on the way back from San Francisco. Taken to Stanford Hospital, doctors worked through the night to save his life, and 16 pints of blood were used in an effort to stop internal bleeding caused by a ruptured spleen.

Doctors left a compound fractured left arm until three weeks later, when he returned to Stanford to have it operated on and set, and a newly-detected heart murmur checked.

It had been discovered that a pen and pencil set he carried in his left breast pocket had bent in two during the accident and had pressed against the heart area resulting in a bad bruise, which in turn caused an abcess, leaving a hole in his heart the size of a pencil eraser.

Before he could undergo heart surgery, Mr. Chatham had to build up his strength and a heart catheter was inserted to keep him from losing any more blood. Finally, on November 9, 1969, surgery was performed, and thanks to the Red Cross the 22 pints of blood needed were on hand.

Chatham contacted Dorothy James, executive director of the Carmel Red Cross, and offered the facilities of the Holiday Inn for a future Bloodmobile. He said he wanted to repay in part a moral obligation he felt because of the blood he had used, even though replacements for most of the 38 pints had already been made by family and friends. It was decided to wait until the holiday season to take advantage of this offer because blood is most needed at that time.

Chatham was made manager of the Monterey Holiday Inn in October, and before reporting he briefed Thomas Deveau, his Carmel replacement on the commitment he had made for the December Bloodmobile. Deveau has since worked closely with the Red Cross formulating plans for its ultimate success.

"The gift of blood is the gift of life, I found out," said Chatham. "The spirit of Christmas is also giving, and it is to be hoped Peninsulans will heed the call and attend the Bloodmobile at the Holiday Inn, so that no one on the Monterey Peninsula in need of emergency blood will be turned away during the critical holiday period."

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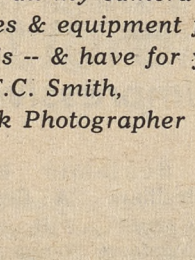

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THE MONTEREY PENINSULA Choral Society in rehearsal for the Mozart "Coronation Mass," Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols" and other music of Christmas for their eighth annual Christmas Concert Saturday and Sunday at Carmel Mission Basilica (photo by Jerry Lebeck).

Impressive Christmas Concert at Basilica this week end

Benjamin Britten's brilliant "A Cermony of Carols" will open the Monterey Peninsula Choral Society's eighth annual Christmas Concert. This subtle and varied program of inspiring music, conducted by Maestro Haymo Taeuber, will be performed in the Carmel Mission Basilica on Saturday and again on Sunday both at 8:00 p.m.

This celebration, which has become the beginning of the Holy Season for many families in the area, will be heralded by a candlelight procession with the ladies' voices singing the "Ceremony of Carols", followed later by the full chorus of almost 100 voices in the "Geborn Ist Uns Emmanuel" by Praetorius and a traditional French carol, "Sleep Of The Child Jesus".

Phyllis Scholmovitz, well known concert harpist and recording artist now residing in Palo Alto, will accompany the Britten work and will be featured in Marcel Samuel-Rousseau's "Variationes Pastorales Sur Une Vieux Noel" for string orchestra and harp.

The Chorus then returns with the German carol "Kommet Ihr Hirten" and the hauntingly beautiful "The Darkness Is Falling" a carol sung by the Tyrolean peasants as they wind down the steep Alpine trails by lantern light to participate in the midnight Christmas Mass in the village below.

The second half of the program opens with the antiphonal "Haec Dies" for double chorus by Jacobus Gallus, which sets the stage for the familiar "Ave Verum Corpus" by Mozart.

The featured work of the evening will be one of Mozart's most moving works, the "Coronation Mass", with the Chorus joined by the Monterey County Symphony Chamber Ensemble and four local and accomplished soloists -- popular lyric soprano Norma Jean Hodges, mezzo-soprano Linda Purdy, tenor James Hull and bass Robert Armstead.

Tickets for the two identical concerts are $2.50 each and are available at the Monterey County Symphony office in Carmel's Sunset Center; Gallery Gifts Box Office in Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, Carmel; Abinante's in Monterey; Lily Walker Record Shop in Pacific Grove; and the Seaside Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets can be obtained by pre-paid mail order from the Monterey Peninsula Choral Society, P.O. Box 272, Carmel, California 93921 (please specify dates).

Tickets will also be on sale before the performances at the door.

Community Church's 'Christmas Kitchen' open Friday, Saturday

One of the highlights of the holiday season will take place on Friday and Saturday, both days from 10:00 to 4:00, when the Filia Circle of the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula spreads its array of delectable foods and gift items for the "Christmas Kitchen", at the Church on Carmel Valley Road near Middle School.

A feature of both days will be the hot German donuts, made from a treasured old family recipe by Mrs. Arthur Johnson and her assistants, to be served with coffee. During the past few months, members have been busy making their famous ollalie jellies and jams, pepper jelly, shelled packaged walnuts, fruit cakes and kitchen gift items. A special "grandmothers table" will feature articles for children, and in addition, that well-known local celebrity will make pounds of his mouth-watering candies and pies will be made by a Monterey County blue-ribbon prize winner. There will also be packaged cookies and cakes.

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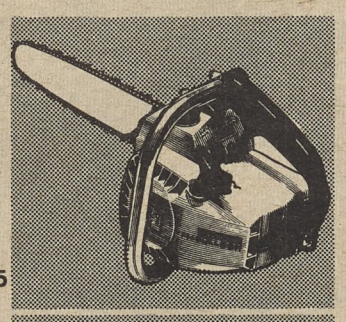

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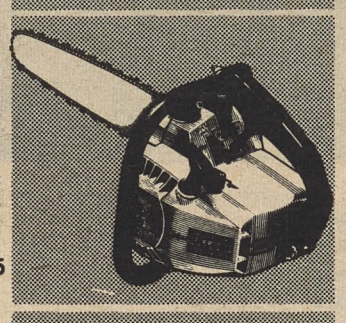

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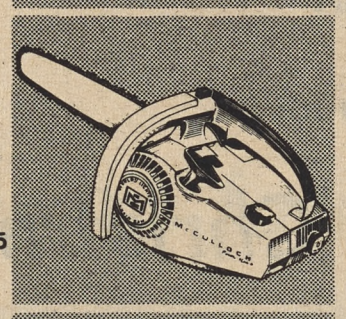

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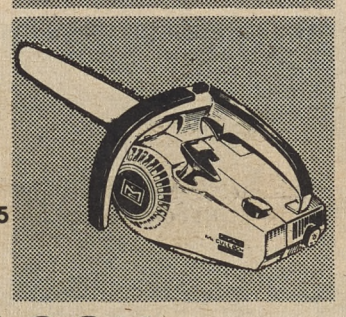

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The Village Library

A happy part of this happiest time of the year is choosing books for beloved children. All the beautiful new books and, best of all, the thrill of finding again an old favorite and remembering the pleasure it gave you. How nice to feel no compulsion to get something just because it's new. To the children, it's all new. Here are a few of the older tried and true titles.

The before school set enjoy the 'Tall' books. 'Mother Goose', 'Nursery Tales', 'Fairy Tales', and a number of other titles. These are very good indeed. Children like the shape, tall and narrow, and the illustrations are charming. For something unusual, there is the Kate Greenaway 'Mother Goose'. This includes delightful old English rhymes not so familiar to us with quaint pictures.

For the members of the first few grades at school, don't forget Betty MacDonald's 'Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle' stories. They are sure fire fascination and good giggle getters. Also, we are fortunate in having the Lucy Fitch Perkins 'Twin' books back in print. The 'Dutch', 'Japanese', and 'Eskimo' Twins are good ones for this age. The Maud Lovelace 'Betsy-Tacy' books have been well loved for a long time.

By the time the children have reached the upper elementary grades there is a world of books suitable for them. So many, that it's hard to mention only a few. Living near us are three of the very best children's authors, Doris Gates, Eleanor Cameron, and Beverly Cleary. Another fine children's author is Meindert DeJong. His books are full of suspence and excitement. Boys especially like these. Laura Ingalls Wilder writes about pioneer life. These are fun for any age.

Rumer Godden has written some enchanting stories about dolls and doll houses. 'Home is the Sailor' and 'Miss Happiness and Miss Flower' are especially good. Another author who writes about dolls is Norma Kassirer. Her books, 'Magic Elizabeth' and the 'Doll Snatchers' are full of adventure and suspence. The 'Henry Reed' books by Keith Robertson are one hilarious situation after another.

These are a few tried and true titles that may help in selecting Christmas books. There is another very good list called 'Growing up with books'. There is a supply of this in the library for anyone who would like to have it.

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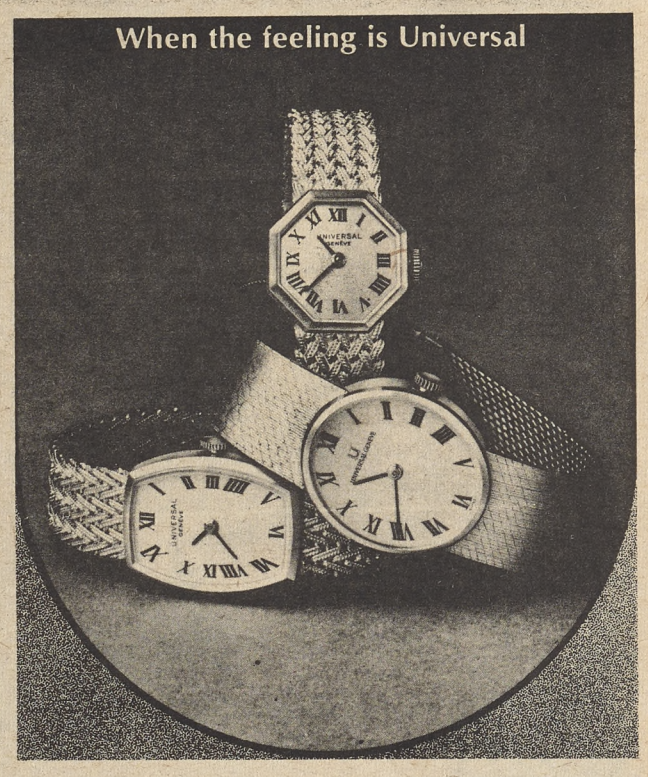

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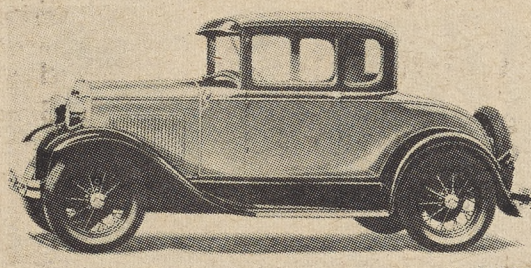

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From Carmel to Chualar with love ...

Scouts fashion Christmas toys

CONCENTRATION AND NIMBLE FINGERS do the trick as Candy Marenkovich, above left, and Barbara Bell, right, twist and tie the bits of yarn.

Photos by George T.C. Smith

HMMMM, NOW WHAT HAPPENS wonders Cheryl Cleary, right, while her Scout leader, Mrs. James Sanders, figures out the next step.

NEXT YOU LOOP it back and forth just so, the way Michelle March is doing so carefully.

THEN YOU TIE IT in the right places to make a head, body, arms and legs. Helen Grice, Sue Ellen Wood and Liz Still have their dolls well underway at this point.

for migrant farm children

Christmas is, above all else, a time for reaching out with love, for giving with one's hands and heart, for sharing with others the joy and promise of Bethlehem.

In keeping with the spirit of the season, members of Girl Scout Troop 2063 have devoted their last several meetings at Sunset Center to making toys for migrant farm children living at Camp 21, near Chualar.

Nimble fingers have turned skeins of yarn into bright dolls, stitched bean bags and stuffed animals, pasted together picture books and cut puzzles from heavy cardboard. This week, for their final project, they will make creches from balsa wood.

Their hours of work, under the direction of their troop leader, Mrs. James Sanders of Berwick Dr., Carmel Valley, and Mrs. Jean Wilsdon, will culminate Saturday when everything is taken to Camp 21 for a gala Christmas party.

In addition to the hand-made toys, the girls will be bringing boxes of books, toys and clothing donated by members of St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church. Navy families connected with the Postgraduate School in Monterey are also contributing to the Christmas party.

There is still time for other residents of Carmel and Carmel Valley to contribute new or almost new toys, books and clothes for the camp, which at present houses about 18 families with over 100 children. For information call Mrs. Sanders at 624-4759.

SOMETIMES SOME EXPERT assistance is needed. Here Mrs. Jean Wilsdon ties a finishing bow on Gail Frost's doll.

WE DID IT! Donna Weshenfelder, Sandra Fulton and Sandy Harrison smile at their finished dolls while Kim Cleary, left, gives hers a finishing clip.

HANDMADE TOYS destined for impoverished migrant farm children in Chualar dangle like whimsical ornaments in the Girl Scout meeting room at Sunset Center. Kim Cleary is adding a perky beanbag to the display of items made by Troop 2063.

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To his dismay, she regards him as an older man and seems to prefer an uncouth musician to his somewhat pretentious sophistication. Barbara Ferris all but stole the show with her interpretation of the girl and Goldie Hawn has been set the same task in the forthcoming Hollywood version.

Subsidiary amusement is provided by the leading man's outbound girl friend, the editor of the magazine for which he writes erudite gastronomical articles and the impertinent doorman of his London flat.

Under the direction of Bill Asp, "There's A Girl In My Soup" will play Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights at the Studio through January 23. In addition there will be performances every night between Christmas and New Year's, excluding December 25.

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On Tuesday, Dec. 1, The Martha Graham Dance Company offered a program by 16 beautifully trained dancers -- truly a first for Sunset Theater in almost 20 years, when Miss Graham herself appeared with the company.

I had the pleasure of meeting Miss Graham after the performance, and the great pride of accomplishment was mirrored in her most interesting countenance, for her choreographic genius is world-reknowned and so evidenced in the performance of those classic dancers.

This program was sold out a week in advance and with three phones ringing day and evening, upstage, downstage, and me lady's office, I estimate we could have sold out once again.

As evidenced by this outpouring of requests for tickets, I'm convinced we could book many excellent dance and theater groups with equal success. It was gratifying to see so many young people out, and I'm just sorry these same youngsters missed the Symphony concert on Nov. 23, for it was an inspiring evening. The next concert is in January, and we hope to see you then.

Speaking of concerts, I would like to emphasize once again, do not miss the Thursday evening program of Christmas Music by the Fort Ord Army Band. The date, Dec. 10, 8 p.m., and there is no admission charge.

I discovered seven members of our own symphony are boys in the Fort Ord Army Band, so in part, you will be supporting both groups in attending.

I hope you will have visited our Friends of Photography Exhibit this month before our Dance program. However, if you have missed this, there is still time to drop in to see this excellent display, and especially the dance photographs, for Barbara Morgan is tops in this field.

As you pass my corner, at 8th and San Carlos, take another moment to drop by my office to see the Dick Crispo show.

We shall be hanging a show of religious paintings for the remainder of the month of our local painters and printmakers, and this promises to be a very fine show.

Before I say a rather brief adieu for this week, I would like to touch on the subject of dance once more, and quote that wonderful Cultural Affairs Congressional Hearings on the Arts and Humanities ... and this time, the article entitled "Dance: The Golden Age???", by Clive Barnes.

"By common consent this present dance season is the busiest and the biggest the United States has ever known. As Alexander Ewing puts it, "the golden age of American Dance". But that is about the only thing that is golden about the American dance.

American dance, both ballet and modern dance, is facing the most severe financial crisis in its history. Even though it is perhaps the one art form in which the nation effortlessly leads the world; even though it is expanding and proliferating all over the country, dance is in grave trouble. This is my ending thought: are we going to let great companies go out of existence, for our lack of support???

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Carmel Rancho businessman to head Carmel Valley Chamber

A Carmel Rancho businessman—Charles Lunt, Jr.—was elected president of the Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce last week.

Lunt is the president and manager of the First Federal Savings and Loan Assn., located in the Carmel Rancho Shopping Center, and is the first businessman from that area of Carmel Valley to head the Valley Chamber.

Lunt will be installed at the annual chamber banquet, to be held either on Jan. 7 or 21, and will serve during 1971.

Other officers elected at the December meeting held on Thursday at Blanquita's Restaurant include:

Milton (Skip) Marquard, 1st vice president; Erasimo Belleci, 2nd vice president) and Mrs. Helen Knight, treasurer

The report of the nominating committee was given to the group of 21 attending last week's meeting by Lou Allaire. No other nominations were made, and the slate of new officers was elected unanimously. Lunt succeeds Charles Strathmever, whose real estate business is located in Mid-Valley.

While most of the Chamber members are located in the Village and Upper Valley area, for the second year in a row the presidency is going to a member outside that area. This reflects the chamber's efforts to bring in more members from throughout the Valley, and to further unify the chamber as a Valley-wide organization.

VILLAGE ACTIVITY

The only other business brought to the attention of last week's meeting related to the Village area.

Bob Kvenild said that the sign at the west entrance to the Village was undergoing various improvements. Landscaping around it is being improved and plans were approved for restaining it and repainting the letters white instead of yellow, to make them more visible.

It was also reported that property owners on Del Fino Place had been contacted by letter by the County Road Department, in an effort to reach a decision on how to narrow it and how best the cost of maintaining the new open area can be shared.

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Music teacher John Farr said the program will last "a little over an hour, I think," and all families are cordially invited to attend.

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THREE LYCEUM ART STUDENTS, Debra Shadeck, Kenneth Bruchs and Philip Coniglio, will have a showing of their paintings from 4 to 7 p.m. next Tuesday at the Cypress West Inn in Carmel.

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NINETEEN ARTISTS representing countries around the world will have their works on display at the Seaside City Hall through December. The international art exhibition has been planned as a climax to the Monterey Bicentennial.

Among the local artists represented are Girard Aken, Eve Bell, Yet-Por Cheng, Beth Garcia, Jean Hofsas, Nancy Johnson, Reginald Mahado, Jerry Van Megert and Sigismund Wolf.

The display may be seen between 9 a.m. and noon and 1 to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

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THE MONTEREY PENINSULA AUDUBON SOCIETY is planning a beginners' trip specializing in sea birds at 9 a.m. Saturday. The half-day study of scoters, grebes and seagulls will start at Monterey Municipal Wharf No. 2, at the foot of Figueroa St. Persons who are not members of the Audubon Society are welcome.

The Society has also scheduled a Point Lobos Nature Walk for Thursday, Dec. 17, starting at 9 a.m. at the entrance to the reserve. Participants will drive in, then stop for short walks at several points of interest. The group hopes to see the gray whale on its annual southern migration from Alaska. Bring lunch if you wish.

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FURTHER DISCUSSION of William G. Lambert's proposal for a recreational trailer development on part of his Jamesburg ranch will come at next Wednesday's meeting of the Monterey County Planning Commission. The Lambert hearing has been set for 2:30 p.m.

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BOB WOOD REPORTS. . .

A REGULAR COLUMN BY BOB WOOD, ASSEMBLYMAN - 34TH DISTRICT

It's interesting to note that 44 out of our 58 counties in California asked for an increase in the County tax rate this last year. The total sum needed of these forty counties will be approximately 600 million dollars. We are fortunate that the increase asked for in our own Monterey County was one of the smaller requests. Monterey County is in an enviable position of being the 16th county having the lowest county tax rate in the State of California out of the total of 58.

This increase for the support of county governments in 1971, according to tax experts, is caused by inflation and the increased demands of the public for additional services. At the same time, school districts whose demands grow each year, the added funds for the State's welfare program, plus Medi-cal, and the myriad of other requests, coupled with the need to limit unneeded spending wherever possible to protect the taxpayer, is going to make the 1971 session a rough one.

Knowing the immediate need for property tax relief and realizing the Assembly and Senate are now actually controlled by the Democratic Party, I think it is imperative that we forget party differences and that both parties, including the governor, sit down with a sincere effort of coming up with a property tax relief program. I don't think the average homeowner cares who gets the credit for the tax relief program. I think he is only interested in some concrete results that will help relieve his tax load.

I think all of us understand that, since all functions of state government revolve around our system of taxation, the slightest re-structuring of the tax system can affect dramatically all areas of legislative concern. This is the reason that I think it is quite obvious, then, that a spirit of compromise is essential. Many retired people on stationary incomes are actually losing their homes because of the regressive property tax system.

P.S. The California Division of Forestry and the U.S. Forestry Service have informed me that all of the burned areas have now been re-seeded and were completed before the nice, gentle rain that we had the day before Thanksgiving. (The "one above" certainly has cooperated weather-wise. For awhile, I was afraid that we mortals would not complete our part of the bargain.)

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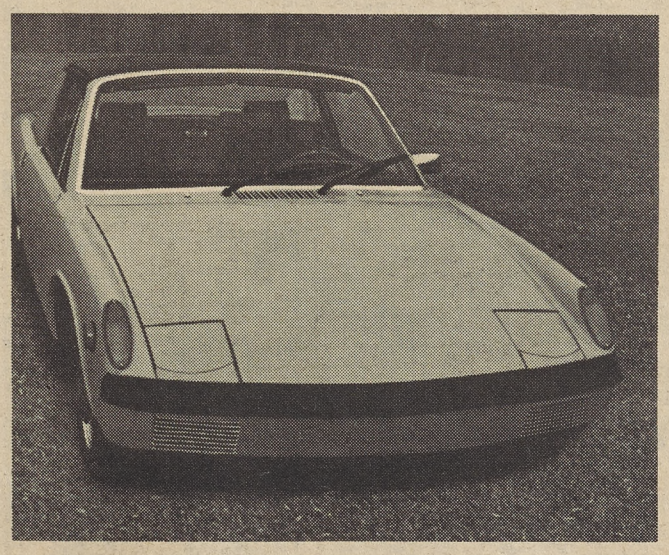
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2nd Lt. Gehring attending Army Defense School

Army Second Lieutenant Frederick C. Gehring, 24, son of Mrs. F.R. Gehring of Box 5, Star Rt., Carmel Valley, is attending an air defense artillery officer qualification course at the U.S. Army Air Defense School, Ft. Bliss, Tex.

The nine-week course provides training in the operations and tactics of the Army's air defense weapons systems, which include the Nike Hercules, Hawk, Redeye, and Chaparral missiles. The Curriculum also includes studies on air defense artillery automatic weapons systems such as the twin 40-mm self-propelled gun, the caliber .50 multiple machinegun, and the Vulcan weapon system.

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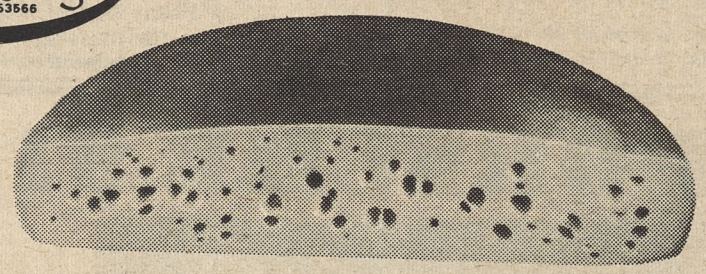

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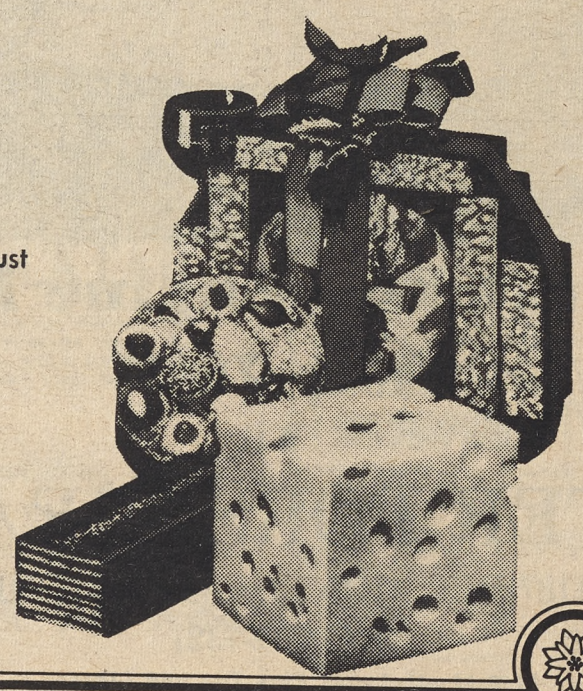

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That's protection! and what a perfect identification when you want someone to cash a check!

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